Setting up a new steel plant in Orissa

1379. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether steps have been taken by Government to set up a steel plant at Duburi in Orissa;

(b) if so, the progress thereof;

(c) what are the other places in Orissa where steel plants are being set up by Governn nt, public and private Sector as well as in the joint sector;

(d) the estimated cost, capacity and the employment generation potentialities of each steel plant; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND THE MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA): (a) to (e) According to information made available by the Government of Orissa, they have taken steps to set up pig iron, sponge iron and steel projects at Duburi and other places in Orissa.

The details of the iron and steel projects with respect to their location, capacity, cost, employment and progress towards implementation are given in the Annexure. [*See* Appendix 181, Annexure No. 37].

Reopening the closed Iron-ore mines

1380. SHRIMATI JAYANTI PATNAIK: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Iron-ore mines in Orissa which where closed down for want of forest clearance have been reopened; and

(b) if so, the details of the iron ore mines where mining operation has been restarted?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND THE MINISTER OF MINIES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA): (a) and (b) The details of iron ore mines of Orissa Minerals Development Company Ltd. (OMDC) and Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL) in Orissa which were closed for want of forest clearance and which have since been reopened are as under:

Iron ore Mines of OMDC in Orissa

1. Bhadrasai Mines, Roida, Distt. Keonjhar.
2. Belkundi Mines, Belkundi, Distt. Keonjhar.
3. Bagiaburu Mines, Bagiaburu, Distt. Keonjhar.
4. Thakurani Mines, Thakurani, Distt. Keonjhar.

Iron ore Mines of SAIL in Orissa

1. Bolani Iron Ore Mines, Distt. Keonjhar.
2. Kalta Iron Ore Mines, Distt. Sundergarh.

*Subject to CAG audit.

Drug Abuse Among Slum Women

1381. SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have assessed the gravity of drug abuse spreading fast among the slum women in the country;

(b) whether it is a fact that about 90% of the grant given to NGOs is for eradication and motivation of knowledge about this menace;

(c) if so, the details of grants given to NGOs in each. State during the last three years; and

(d) the details of NGOs functioning and taking such grants from the Government for this purpose?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) While no specific study has been made for assessing